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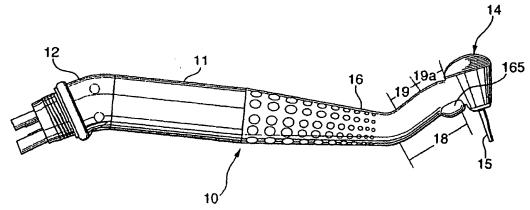
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(54) Title: DENTAL HANDPIECE



(57) Abstract: A dental handpiece is disclosed including a turbine construction creating a radial in flow of air onto the impeller blades about the whole circumference of the turbine. This generates additional torque and avoids asymmetrical thrust on the impeller wheel. A pair of axially spaced air bearings support the turbine. Air supply to the bearings is controlled in such a way that the air bearings are floated before drive air is supplied to the turbine and after drive air to the turbine has been shut off. This ensures that the air bearings are always operational irrespective of the operational state of the turbine. The handpiece has an improved ergonomic shape, especially the shape and configuration of the front or drive head, which provides additional tooth clearance and a better field of view. An angled swivel connection to the umbilical cord is provided which reduces physical strain on the dentist's wrist. A self adjusting lock and key type torque connection between the dental burr and the chuck is provided which accommodates both conventional burrs and the burr of the lock and key arrangement. An auto stop arrangement for the turbine is disclosed which prevents a vacuum buildup during run-down of the turbine. The specific construction of the auto stop valve in accordance with the invention closes both the drive and exhaust air conduits.

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## From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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To: BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS LLP Attn. Kinsman, L. Anne World Exchange Plaza 100 Queen Street, Suite 1100	NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT OR THE DECLARATION
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International application No. PCT/CA 03/01999	International filing date (day/month/year) 22/12/2003
Applicant TURNER, Derek	
1. X The applicant is hereby notified that the International Search	Report has been established and is transmitted herewith.
Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19: The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims	s of the International Application (see Rule 46):
When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normal International Search Report; however, for more det	ly 2 months from the date of transmittal of the ais, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.
Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Fascimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35	ENTERED AUG 0 9 2004 (Oct 5/04) gco
For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accom-	npanying sheet. CHECKED AUG 1 0 2004
2. The applicant is hereby notified that no International Search Article 17(2)(a) to that effect is transmitted herewith.	, C. 124.125
3. With regard to the protest against payment of (an) addition	• •
the protest together with the decision thereon has been applicant's request to forward the texts of both the prote	transmitted to the International Bureau together with the st and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.
no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applic	cant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.
4. Further action(s): The applicant is reminded of the following:	
Shortly after 18 months from the priority date, the international app if the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in completion of the technical preparations for international publications.	of withdrawal of the International application, or of the Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the
Within 19 months from the priority date, a demand for international wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase until 30 months.	preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant hs from the priority date (in some Offices even later).
Within 20 months from the priority date, the applicant must perform before all designated Offices which have not been elected in the capriority date or could not be elected because they are not bound be	demand or in a later election within 19 months from the

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#### **NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220**

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the PCT Applicant's Guide, a publication of WiPO.

In these Notes, "Article", "Rule", and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

#### INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only.

#### What parts of the international application may be amended?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

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When?

Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

### Where not to file the amendments?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How?

Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet must be submitted for each sheet of the claims which, on account of an amendment or amendments, differs from the sheet originally filed.

All the claims appearing on a replacement sheet must be numbered in Arabic numerals. Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively (Administrative Instructions, Section 205(b)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

#### What documents must/may accompany the amendments?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.

# NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220 (continued)

The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled:
- (iii) the claim is new:
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

# The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

- [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]:
   "Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers; claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added.\*
- [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]: "Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11."
- [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding new claims]:
   "Claims 1 to 6 and 14 unchanged; claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added." or "Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
- [Where various kinds of amendments are made]:
   "Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added."

## "Statement under article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1)).

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

# It must be in the language in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report. Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

# Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

If, at the time of filing any amendments and any accompanying statement, under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the time of filing the amendments (and any statement) with the International Bureau, also file with the International Preliminary Examining Authority a copy of such amendments (and of any statement) and, where required, a translation of such amendments for the procedure before that Authority (see Rules 55.3(a) and 62.2, first sentence). For further information, see the Notes to the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401).

# Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to, the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.





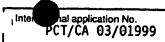
# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference	FOR FURTHER see Notification (Form PCT/ISA/	of Transmittal of International Search Report 220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
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Applicant		
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This International Search Report has bee according to Article 18. A copy is being tr	en prepared by this International Searching Auti ansmitted to the International Bureau.	nority and is transmitted to the applicant
This International Search Report consists  It is also accompanied by	of a total of 6 sheets.  y a copy of each prior art document cited in this	report.
Basis of the report     With regard to the language, the	international search was carried out on the bas	in of the internal and and
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6. The figure of the drawings to be publis		10
X as suggested by the applic	ant.	None of the figures.
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because this figure better of	characterizes the invention.	

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  2.	This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:
because they relate to parts of the International Application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful International Search can be carried out, specifically:  3.	1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:    Claims Nos.:
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# FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-14, 33, 34

Medical or dental turbine handpiece with a torque transfer arrangement. Torque transfer arrangement. Dental burr having a shaft with a non-circular cross

section.

2. claims: 15-17, 23 24

Medical or dental turbine handpiece and method of operating the same comprising air bearings and separate bearing air supply.

3. claims: 18-22

Medical or dental turbine handpiece comprising a radial air flow turbine.

4. claims: 25, 26

Medical or dental turbine handpiece having a swivel angled connector.

5. claims: 27-29

Medical or dental turbine handpiece comprising a turbine autostop arrangement

6. claim: 30

Medical or dental turbine handpiece including an ergonomic neck portion.

7. claims: 31, 32

Medical or dental turbine handpiece including a drive head quick connection arrangement.

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#### 8. FIELDS SEARCHED

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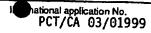
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3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).
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Remark on Protest  The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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1. claims: 1-14, 33, 34

Medical or dental turbine handpiece with a torque transfer arrangement.

Torque transfer arrangement.

Dental burr having a shaft with a non-circular cross section.

2. claims: 15-17, 23 24

Medical or dental turbine handpiece and method of operating the same comprising air bearings and separate bearing air supply.

3. claims: 18-22

Medical or dental turbine handpiece comprising a radial air flow turbine.

4. claims: 25, 26

Medical or dental turbine handpiece having a swivel angled connector.

5. claims: 27-29

Medical or dental turbine handpiece comprising a turbine autostop arrangement

6. claim: 30

Medical or dental turbine handpiece including an ergonomic neck portion.

7. claims: 31, 32

Medical or dental turbine handpiece including a drive head quick connection arrangement.



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